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SUBJ: WORLD BANK/IMF SALARY INCREASE PROPOSALS

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1. EMBASSY FORWARDED SIMON LETTER TO ROMANIAN IMF/IBRD GOVERNOR FLOREA DUMITRESCU JULY 14, WITH COPIES TO CHAIRMEN OF WUTONAL BANK (MALINSCHI) AND INVESTMENT BANK (DIAMANDOPOL). WORKING LEVEL OFFICIALS WITH KNOWLEDGE OF ISSUE WERE THEN ON VACATION, BUT EMBOFF MET WITH MIN FINANCE DIRECTOR DRAGNEA JULY 29.

2. DRAGNEA SAID DUMITRESCU WOULD RETURN FROM VACATION THIS WEEKEND AND WOULD MAKE FINAL DECISION ON ROMANIAN POSITION IN TIME FOR AUGUST 2 VOTE. LAST YEAR ROMANIA HAD VOTED FOR SALARY INCREASES DESPITE US REPRESENTATIONS IN PART BECAUSE GOR DID NOT WISH TO ANNOY IMF/IBRD STAFF WHILE GOR AND IMF/IBRD WERE PREOCCUPIED WITH ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF FLOODS. DRAGNEA SAID HE APPRECIATES US VIEW REGARDING PROPRIETY OF DISPROPORTIONATE SALARIES IN ORGANIZATIONS DESIGNED TO ASSIST POORER COUNTRIES. UNOFFICIALLY, HE THOUGHT ROMANIA WOULD ABSTAIN FROM VOTE THIS YEAR.

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3. COMMENT: FEAR OF NEGATIVE IBRD/IMF STAFF ATTITUDE

TOWARD ROMANIA IS STILL A FACTOR, BUT EMOFF WAS IMPRESSED
THAT GOR SEEMED MUCH BETTER INFORMED ON LARGER ISSUES THIS
YEAR THAN LAST.
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